



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Hua, et al.

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For: METHODS OF TREATING

CATARACTS AND DIABETIC

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REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicant hereby petitions for the minimum extension of time necessary so that the accompanying Response to Office Action is timely filed.

It is believed that an extension of one month is required. Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$55.00 as required under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)(1) for a small entity. If this amount is incorrect however, please charge any fees or credit any overpayments under the foregoing rules to Deposit Account No. 07-1969.

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